



*Mission: The Roosevelt High School Foundation/Alumni Association is organized to celebrate the tradition and shape the future of Roosevelt High School by advancing and supporting the students, faculty, alumni and Roosevelt community.*

### **Roosevelt Foundation Board Meeting: March 7, 2022**

Total Board Members: 21

Present: 14

[Attendance spreadsheet](#) for 2021-22

1. Welcome & Call to Order - Kate
2. Approval of February Meeting Minutes
  - a. AJ motions; Bryan 2nd, Vote: all approve
3. Special Requests
  - a. Cafeteria Sound System- Jeff Hummell (on portal) \$5,043.73
    - i. Goal: to make the cafeteria viable for a variety of activities and performances as well as meetings and banquets for our students.
    - ii. Discussion: grateful to have needs recognized and hear from teachers to improve things in person for students.
    - iii. Motion to approve- Abby; 2nd - (?); Vote: all approve
4. Treasurer's Report - Heather
  - a. Documents posted on Portal
  - b. Of note: over \$200,000 in Campaign account, aver \$1.3 million wired to DMPS as T+F is getting ready for construct.
  - c. Donations from Rider Cup are coming in, and Campaign
5. Principal's Report - Kate (news from Steve)
  - a. Girls' Basketball made it to State- hugely successful season, turnout for TRHS was incredible
  - b. Rider Pride was March 4: public kickoff of Capital Campaign, able to share renderings of T+F and Library Reimagined and \$3 million progress so far. Great responses and positive feedback so far.
6. Board Update - Kate

- a. Blair Ryan is stepping down, still planning to volunteer for projects .
7. Capital Campaign Update - Kate, Rose, Bryan
- a. Track and Field
    - i. Bids came in low, as shared last month, and donations have been so strong that Bridge loan is about \$520,000- a few hundred thousand less than anticipated
      - 1. Off and running to start work in the next couple of weeks
    - ii. Communication to note: the track team is being relocated this Spring because of construction; grant for Drake practices doesn't cover all transportation, which has been frustrating for families. Board members, please help to share: driving force for timing is cost because the best time to bid is Winter, and given Iowa weather work needs to begin in Spring to account for weather delays and a short construction calendar.
  - b. Public Phase is in the works and Class Initiative Toolkit is being built to share with Board at March meeting.
  - c. Library Reimagined renderings shared and connections to literacy initiatives and curricular goals at TRHS.
    - i. Principal Schappaugh has been working with design team to ensure a strong fit for current needs and anticipated staffing with Student Support Center housed within the space. [Avenue Scholars](#) (support service provider) may also be on-site with staffing. Plans currently have a sound booth area as well as semi-private conference rooms, flexible seating, large meeting rooms on either side of south-facing stairwell. Ensures ease of staffing and monitoring with space for lots of different types of projects.
      - 1. Q&A: will any classrooms- journalism, etc. be in this space? Not currently
      - 2. Are there any outside changes or renderings? It's in a midcentury addition, but historic character is important to preserve as well and donors will ask. - No changes to the South wall planned, but Rose will confirm.
    - ii. Current goal is to build next summer, so that it's ready for the 2023-24 school year.
  - d. Naming Guidelines from Capital Campaign Cabinet shared.
    - i. One of the initiatives that's been very successful was naming T+F after Randy Duncan; his community has supported that project
    - ii. Naming Opportunities levels listed are consistent with the DMPS guidelines and have been developed closely with DMPS
    - iii. Vote: Jackson- motion to approve, AJ - 2nd, all approved
  - e. Please note, for April meeting: Coming back to conversation about Foundation's \$100K Loan to Capital Campaign and possible options- everything is on the table. Please reach out to Exec, Kate, or Kari individually with ideas to submit before the April meeting, and

we'll plan to discuss then. In a good place with current fundraising efforts, so not a rush at this point.

- i. Q&A- Do we know potential timing on bids for library, will we need a buffer for funding in mind for that project? Likely not until early 2023 but still TBD a bit; will also depend on materials costs as well as construction timelines
- ii. Are there numbers to look at together at this point as we talk about the shift?
  1. Margins with budgets and bridge loan process were a lot tighter for the Campaign when the Finance Committee proposed loan forgiveness; currently margins are wider given lower bids, and so the conversation is less rushed. A significant portion of the Foundation's money was loaned, and was always signed off on with the assumption of being returned to be spent eventually on students - more discussion to come.
- iii. Next steps: Campaign Finance committee will offer numbers and details for spending; Kari will set up a Google Doc to share ideas- Board members please email or add ideas up by April 4 (one week before April 11 meeting)

## 8. Committee Reports

- a. Community Events & Fundraising – Rider Cup - Jackson
  - i. Rider Cup - off to a great start. About  $\frac{1}{3}$  of field is set, 9 hole sponsors, at about \$10,000. Please keep reaching out to encourage participation- Early Bird registration ends April 15.
  - ii. New app for silent auction bids for packages from local sponsors, so golfers can bid while playing as well. Email Jackson or committee with ideas!
- b. Education + Engagement - Scholarships - Charlotte
  - i. Entries are coming in, deadline is March 22
  - ii. Two other donors interested in setting up new scholarship funds
  - iii. Gave edits to website team; working on creating a contact form for feedback from students
- c. Communications & Marketing - Newsletter & Swag Bags - Kari
  - i. Next newsletter coming out Friday, pretty full with Rider Cup, Scholarships, Campaign announcement, Mock Trial making it to State etc.
  - ii. Campaign announcement on FB and IG
  - iii. Brainstorming and looking at promotional items for swag for events, scholarships, reunions, etc.
  - iv. Website updates on scholarships in giving pages- edits welcome, just email Kari if you notice anything!
- d. Alumni Events & Relations – Hall of Fame - Ted
  - i. Scholarships & Awards banquet is being scheduled for Wednesday 5/18, so Alumni committee will be meeting to look for a local honoree. Had been working to plan ahead but it's usually put together in 2 months' time so timing should work out well. More updates to come as this moves forward.
    1. Erik offered club room downtown again, as planned for 2020

9. **Board Requests:** please start thinking about recruiting new members for our Board, especially with the public phase beginning it's a great opportunity to keep building our momentum and community outreach. Volunteers are also always welcome to work just on Special Projects and Committees

**NEXT MEETINGS:**

**ZOOM Monday, April 11th 5:30 p.m.**

**ZOOM Monday, May 9th 5:30 p.m.**